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with respect to said first set of electrodes such that said second set of electrodes may be placed into contact with said patient's heart when said first set of electrodes is in said heart chamber.

Please add the following two new claims:

(New Claim) The catheter assembly of claim 9, wherein the first positioning means is further coupled to at least one of the electrode array and second positioning means.

(New Claim) The catheter assembly of claim 9, wherein the third positioning means is further coupled to the first positioning means.

REMARKS

Pending Claims:

In this application, claims 3-13 are currently pending. Claims 4-6, and 11 are not altered in this Response. Claims 3, 7, 8, 9, and 10 are amended above. Claims 12 and 13 have been added. Entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 (paragraph 3)

In the Office Action, a rejection was made under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph to claims 3-11. The Office Action noted that claim 3 lacked a structural association between the electrode sets, and that adapted to language should be utilized to avoid inferentially including the human body.

While the Applicant questions whether the previous claim language inferentially included the human body, claim 3 has been amended to include a structural association and to utilize adapted to language. As a result, the Applicant submits that this rejection has been overcome.

Non-Statutory Double Patenting Rejection

The Office Action has rejected claims 3-11 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-10 of U.S. Patent No. 5,311,866.

This patent is assigned to the same assignee of the present invention. If subject matter in the present invention claims are otherwise found to be allowable, then a terminal disclaimer will be provided by the Applicant to overcome this rejection.

New Claims

Claim 12 and 13 are new claims relating to the coupling of the first and third positioning means. These claims are supported by the Specification as originally filed.

CONCLUSION

All of the claims remaining in this application should now be seen to be in condition for allowance. The prompt issuance of a notice to that effect is solicited.

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